GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
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SUBSIDY FOR RE PLANTING OF TEA BUSHES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether subsidy given by the Tea Board for replanting of tea bushes is hardly sufficient;

(b) if so, whether Tea Board is considering to increase the amount of subsidy for replantation of tea bushes;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) to(d): The subsidy provided by the Tea Board constitutes 25% of the unit cost of planting per hectare, as computed by NABARD. The unit cost includes planting and maintenance upto 5th year. The rate of subsidy is revised by the Tea Board from time to time in parity with the unit cost of planting and these rates were revised upwards with effect from 1.4.2002.